

REMARKS

The Office Action notes that the drawings filed on March 6, 2002 are accepted.

Claims 59-64 were rejected as depending from canceled claim 42 or 47. The dependency has been corrected and therefore the rejection is moot.

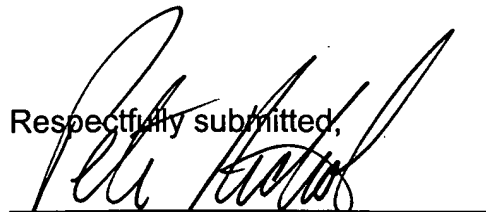
Claims 27, 28, 30, 31, 35, 36, 38, 39, 40, 44, 45, 49, 50, 51, 52, and 55 were rejected as being unpatentable over Wolf and either Lee, alone or in combination with Funakabo. Wolf shows an electric drill and Lee shows a drill with a detachable battery. The Examiner contends that it would have been obvious to have made the drill of Wolf battery powered in order to allow increased portability. Applicants respectfully traverse.

Lee is concerned with a wholly different problem than Wolf and there is no suggestion to combine their disparate features but for the teachings set for in Applicants present application. Such a suggestion amounts to impermissible hindsight. Without such hindsight, Applicants' claimed invention cannot be obvious. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection.

Applicants believe that all the claims are in condition to be allowed and respectfully request the same. If, for any reason, the Examiner feels that the above amendments and remarks do not put the claims in condition for allowance, the undersigned attorney can be reached at (312) 321-4276 to resolve any remaining issues.

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